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## QUEER FEMALES.

Among odd women may certainly be classed those who in early years, were wild girls, found in a semi-barbarous state in woods and lonely districts. Peter, the Wild Boy, and Caspar Hauser have had parallels in the gentler sex, if the narratives are to be believed. In 1731, while a nobleman shooting near Chalons, he saw two beings in a small lake or pond, who proved to be girls of (apparently) ten or twelve years of age. They were very dark, and had a scanty covering of rags and skins. One made her escape, and was not again seen; the other was secured, and taken to the chateau of the Vicomte d'Epitany. She spoke no words, only a kind of wild scream; preferred raw meat and vegetables to cooked; her fingers and thumbs were very strong, owing to frequent climbing and clinging on trees. A shepherd, to whose care she was consigned, had much difficulty in retaining and taming her; for she would scratch holes in the walls and roof of his hut, and escape into the woods. When exhibited before the Queen of Poland, in 1737, she displayed her fleetness in outrunning hares and rabbits. She was baptised as Marie le Blanc, but did not live to owe credit to her sponsors; her health declined under the influence of civilized usages, and she was sent to a convent, where she passed out of the world's eye. Another instance comes under date, 1767, where some Hungarians were chasing the wild boar near Frauenmark, and followed their prey far over the mountains. Seeing the tracks of human foot-prints in the snow, they traced them to a cavern, where they found a young girl unclothed, and very brown in color. She set up a cry, and gazed on the hunters, who took her away with them. They conveyed her to a hospital near Chemnitz, where she was clothed and made to take nourishment. At first she refused all the cooked food presented to her, preferring roots, inner bark, and other undressed articles of vegetable growth. What became of her we have no record to tell.

Some odd women have lived a life of loneliness, without furnishing anything like a rational explanation of the cause of their isolation. Such was the case of one Louisa, whose surname seems to have eluded inquiry. In the year 1776, a young and pretty woman made her appearance at Bourton, near Bristol, and solicited food. The inhabitants took an interest in her, and would have given her a home; but she would sleep nowhere save under a haystack. She said that trouble and misery dwell in houses; that there is no happiness but in liberty and fresh air. She had refined manners, a slightly foreign accent, and evidently experienced much mental distress, with occasionally a little wildness of demeanor. When ill, she would accept the aid of hospitals; but, when recovered, she returned to her hay-stack. During three or four years' residence in the neighborhood she obtained little gifts of food from the villagers; but she neither sought nor would accept employment. She was known as the Lady of the Haystack, for something in her manner prevented the villagers from regarding her as a common, vulgar person. Her peculiarities led to her temporary confinement in a private asylum near Bristol, from which she was transferred to Guy's Hospital, where she died early in the present century. Nothing was ascertained concerning her identity and history. It was only at incoherent moments that she made remarks which led to the inference that she had been married, had moved to good, if not high, society, and had suffered much ill-luck. The Book of Wonderful Characters gives many of her snatches of conversation; but as we do not know the source of information, and as they were inconclusive in their result, we pass them. Another local celebrity, in a somewhat similar position of isolation, but belonging to a humbler grade in life, was Jenny Darney, who lived alone in a hut let to her in Cumberland. She picked up bits of wool that lay about the fields in sheep-farms, spun it on a spindle of her own making, and knitted the thread with wooden needles into garments for her own wear. She would accept money from no one, but received food from kind neighbors. She refused to give her name, mention her family, or assign a reason for her strange mode of life. Dates are wanting; and we learn is, that she died at an advanced age early in the present century.

Not so lonely as the mysterious Louisa of the haystack, or Jenny of the hut, but odd enough in her way, was Mrs. Lewson. She was left a wealthy widow in London in the time of George the First; and, rejecting all offers of re-marriage, passed the rest of her days at the residence of her late husband in Cold Bath-square. The house was large and handsomely furnished; and some of the beds were kept constantly made and in trim order, although they had not been slept in for thirty years. Her own room was occasionally swept out; but never washed, and the windows were so encrusted with dirt as to admit scarcely any light. She reasoned thus, when asked for explanation: "If the room were washed, it might catch cold; if the windows were cleaned the glass might be broken, and somebody hurt. She never washed herself for fear of cold; as a substitute she anointed her face and neck with a little milk and hog's lard, finished off with a touch of rose pink on the cheeks. She was methodical in all her habits, eating with one favorite knife, fork, and plate, and drinking out of one cup. She had excellent health, abundant physical and doctors, and "cut two new teeth at the age of eighty-seven." She had no near relations, and refused to see those more distant relations. One pleasant characteristic is recorded. She had a large, well-kept garden, in which she passed much of her time reading. Although she lived entirely through the reigns of the First and Second Georges, and far into that of the Third, she continued to wear the fashions of the time of George the First, as being those of her married life. Her powdered hair was turned up over a tache or a cushion; a cap over it was tied under the chin; and three or four curls hung down to the neck. She generally wore a silk gown, with a long train and deep flounces, very long waist, and tightly laced up to her neck, round which a kind of ruff or fill was worn; the sleeves of the gown came down below the elbows, and were terminated by four or five large cuffs. She wore a large flat bonnet, high-heeled shoes, a large black silk cloak, trimmed round with lace, and carried a gold-headed cane. She walked in such a costume as this round the small inclosure of Cold Bath square; and was spoken of by the neighbors as Lady Lewson. Her household consisted of one servant (an old man), two lapdogs and a cat; and these were her only companions. She survived till extreme old age; indeed, we believe she was one of those to whom the attention of Mr. Thom was directed, as claimants to the honor of centennarianism.

## DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.

# SIMMONS'

# TAKE LIVER

# REGULATOR

## THE FAVORITE HOME REMEDY.

Is warranted not to contain a single particle of Mercury, or any injurious mineral substance, but is

### PURELY VEGETABLE.

containing those Southern Roots and Herbs, which an all-wise Providence has placed in the countries where Liver Diseases most prevail. It will cure all Diseases caused by Derangement of the Liver and Bowels.

## Simmons' Liver Regulator,

### OR MEDICINE,

Is eminently a Family Medicine; and by being kept ready for immediate resort will save many an hour of suffering and many a dollar in time and doctors' bills.

After over Forty Years' trial it is still receiving the most unqualified testimonials to its virtues from persons of the highest character and responsibility. Eminent physicians commend it as the most

### EFFECTUAL SPECIFIC

for Constipation, Headache, Pain in the Shoulders, Dizziness, Sour Stomach, bad taste in the mouth, bilious attacks, Palpitation of the Heart, Pain in the region of the Kidneys, despondency, gloom, and feelings of evil, all of which are the offspring of a diseased Liver.

FOR DYSPEPSIA OR INDIGESTION. Armed with this ANTIDOTE, all climates and changes of water and food may be faced without fear. As a Remedy in MALARIOUS FEVERS, BOWEL COMPLAINTS, RESTLESSNESS, JAUNDICE, NAUSEA, and BILIOUSNESS, IT HAS NO EQUAL.

It is the Cheapest, Purest and Best Family Medicine in the World!

### CAUTION!

Buy no powders of PREPARED SIMMONS' LIVER REGULATOR unless our engraved wrapper, with Trade mark, Stamp, and Signature unbroken. None other is genuine.

**J. H. ZEILIN & CO.,**  
Macon, Ga., and Philadelphia.  
SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS.

## Simmons' Liver Regulator

For all diseases of the Liver, Stomach and Spleen.  
As a Remedy in MALARIOUS FEVERS, BOWEL COMPLAINTS, DYSPEPSIA, MENTAL DEPRESSION, RESTLESSNESS, JAUNDICE, NAUSEA, SICK HEADACHE, COLIC, CONSTIPATION AND BILIOUSNESS.

### IT HAS NO EQUAL.

FOR SALE BY ALL DRUGGISTS—WHOLESALE AND RETAIL BY

**E. S. LEADBEATER & BRO.,**  
Nos. 5 and 7 South Fairfax street.

**W. FRANKLIN CREIGHTON,**  
Wholesale and Retail Dealer in  
DRUGS, CHEMICALS, PATENT MEDICINES,  
GARDEN SEED, &c., &c., &c.,  
No. 55 King street, (under Sycamore Hall.)  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA.  
Physicians' Prescriptions carefully compounded.  
Orders will receive prompt attention.  
mh 24-4f

**H. H. COOK,**  
**HENRY COOK & CO.,**  
Wholesale and Retail Dealers in  
PURE DRUGS AND CHEMICALS, PAINTS,  
VARNISHES AND OILS,  
WINDOW GLASS AND PUTTY.  
Prompt attention given to orders and inquiries from the country.  
jan 30

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**E. S. LEADBEATER & BRO.**  
DEALERS IN  
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CHEMICALS, PAINTS, OILS,  
VARNISHES, GARDEN SEEDS,  
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Nos. 5 and 7 South Fairfax st.,  
Alexandria, Va.  
aug 2-4f

**SAMUEL H. JANNEY,**  
**JANNEY & CO.,**  
DEALERS IN  
PURE DRUGS, LEWIS' WHITE LEAD,  
Paints, Oils and Varnishes,  
FRENCH WINDOW GLASS & PUTTY.  
No. 145 King street.  
Orders and Inquiries from the country  
promptly attended to.  
sep 23-4f

**HATS, CAPS AND FURS.**  
**JOHN T. EVANS**  
Respectfully informs his old customers and the public generally that he has just returned from New York with a large and select assortment of  
HATS, CAPS AND FURS,  
all of the latest styles, and quality from the medium to the finest. He has the largest and best assortment of LADIES' and MISSES' FURS ever offered in this market, which he is prepared to sell at most reduced prices. He has also made arrangements with the most fashionable and best silk hat manufacturers in New York to be supplied with the latest styles.

Ladies' Furs repaired and White Furs cleaned.  
oct 14-4f

**FOR COUGHS, COLDS, &c., &c.—Bull's Cough Syrup, Huxham's Cough Remedy, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, Tyler's Compound Syrup of Gum Arabic, Watson's Pine Tree Tar Cordial, Magic Balm, Jayne's Expectorant, Powers' Compound Syrup of Tolu and Wild Cherry, Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar and Piso's Cure, at**

**WARFIELD & HALL'S,**  
oct 29 Corner Prince and Fairfax streets.  
**CAFE COFF CHAMBERLAIN'S LIVER, VA.**  
of Lench and Seedless Raisins, prime Citron and Lemon Peel, &c., &c., for sale by  
dec 14 J. C. MILBURN.

## TESTIMONIALS.

"I have never seen or tried such a simple, efficacious, satisfactory and pleasant remedy in my life."—H. H. Hainer, St. Louis, Mo.

Hon. Alex. H. Stephens

"I occasionally use, when my condition requires it, Dr. Simmons' Liver Regulator, with good effect."—Hon. Alex. H. Stephens.

Governor of Alabama.

"Your Regulator has been in use in my family for some time, and I am persuaded it is a valuable addition to the medical science."—Gov. J. Gill Shorter, Ala.

"I have used the Regulator in my family for the past seventeen years. I can safely recommend it to the world as the best medicine I have ever used for that class of diseases it purports to cure."—H. H. Hainer.

President of City Bank.

"Simmons' Liver Regulator has proved a good and efficacious medicine."—C. A. Nutting.

Druggist.

"We have been acquainted with Dr. Simmons' Liver Medicine for more than twenty years, and know it to be the best Liver Regulator offered to the public."—M. R. Lyon and H. L. Lyon, Bellefonte, Pa.

"I was cured by Simmons' Liver Regulator, after having suffered several years with Chills and Fever."—R. P. Anderson.

The Clergy.

"Have been a dyspeptic for years; began the Regulator two years ago; it has acted like a charm in my case."—Rev. J. C. Holmes.

Ladies' Endorsement.

"I have given your medicine a thorough trial, and in no case has it failed to give full satisfaction."—Ellen Meacham, Chatahooche, Fla.

Sheriff Bibb County.

"I have used your Regulator with successful effect in Bilious Colic and Dyspepsia. It is an excellent remedy, and certainly a public blessing."—C. Masterson, Bibb county, Ga.

My Wife.

"I think Simmons' Liver Regulator one of the best medicines ever made for the Liver. My wife, and many others, have used it with wonderful effect."—E. K. Sparks, Albany, Ga.

M. D.

"I have used the Regulator in my family, and also in my regular practice, and have found it a most valuable and satisfactory medicine, and believe it was used by the profession it would be of service in very many cases. I know of no other compound of vegetable and mineral medicinal qualities are perfectly harmless."—B. F. Griggs, M.D., Macon, Ga.

FOR NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

G. Edwin Entwistle, of this city, having, by deed, dated the 13th day of October, 1874, conveyed to the under-signed all his stock in trade and other personal property and book accounts in trust for the benefit of all his creditors equally, they are hereby requested to present, for the liquidation of the same, all claims against him by the 15th of December, 1874; and those indebted to him will please make payment to me within that time.  
nov 5-notd15 E. J. MILLER, Trustee.

**QUININE AND GLYCERINE HAIR TONIC.**  
This hair wash contains the tonic and invigorating properties of Quinine, with the softening and moistening properties of Glycerine. It is intended to prevent the hair from falling out, and to promote its healthy and rapid growth. As a dressing for ordinary toilet use, it will find an elegant preparation. Just received at  
oct 29 WARFIELD & HALL'S.

**MORE NEW DRY GOODS,** from New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore.—We continue to receive large quantities of reasonable Dry Goods, purchased at prices greatly under value, and continue to sell at corresponding low rates, &c. We buy cheap and give full value.  
D. F. BRASHEAR,  
109 King street, Alexandria, Va.  
dec 4

**WE HAVE BEEN APPOINTED Local Agent for the sale of CUTHBERT COAL,** mined by the American Coal Co., and are prepared to fill large or small orders.  
DELAPLANE & FOWLE,  
dec 7 27 King street.

**AT THE LOWEST PRICES—**We have constantly on hand a large assortment of COITONS, CALICOS, Canton Flannels, Shirting, Bed Quilts, Blankets, Table Cloth Goods, &c., &c.  
R. L. WOOD,  
dec 4 No. 62 King street.

**CHOPPING AXES,** of Hunt's, Mann's, &c., sold and other celebrated manufacturers, for sale by the box or single axe.  
Also an assortment of AXEHANDLES.  
Call at 88 King street, on the corner of Royal, nov 20 J. T. CREIGHTON & SON.

**LEAMON'S ANILINE DYES—**A full assortment received this day. Only twelve colors, from which all shades can be made. Call and get a sample card and book of instructions.  
dec 12 J. JANNEY & CO.

**ROCK SALT!** **ROCK SALT!**  
In store and for sale by  
W. A. SMOOT,  
dec 14-1m Smoot's wharf.

**A VERY superior assortment of ENGLISH HAIR and TOOTH BRUSHES** just received and for sale by  
JANNEY & CO.  
dec 1

**LARGE SPLIT LABRADOR HERRING,** Round Shore Herring, and St. John's Alewives, just received.  
dec 1 R. B. LAWSON & CO.

## HOLIDAY GOODS.

## FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

## Immensely Bargains in DRY GOODS

**ALPHEZELDER & BENDHETT'S,**  
NO. 144 KING STREET.

Black Gro. Grain Silk, at \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.50.  
Irish Poplins, at 87c, \$1.00, \$1.12 and \$1.25.  
Pure Mohair Alpaca, worth 75c, at 50c.  
Best Alpaca, worth 50c at 37c.  
Best Alpaca, worth 37c, at 25c.  
Black Gro. Cashmere, worth 75c, at 50c.  
Beautiful line of Waterproofs, at 87c, \$1.00, \$1.12 and \$1.25.  
Immense stock of Camels, Serges, Diagonals, &c., &c.  
Black Cashmeres, Merinos, Bombazines, Tames and Traps d'Esca specialties.  
Cashmere for Men and Boys, from 40c up.  
Large assortment of Ladies' and Gents' Underwear.  
Ladies' Merino Vests, worth \$1, at 62c.  
Gents' Undershirts, worth 75c, at 50c.  
Black and White Blankets, worth \$3, at \$2.  
Best yard-wide Bleached Cottons at 12c.  
Shawls—India, Paisley, Broche, Merino and all-wool fancy.  
Ladies' and Misses' Furs at less than actual value.  
Grand variety of Ladies' Scarfs, big stock of Notions, &c. Our stock is large and complete in all its branches. Call and convince yourselves.  
dec 19

## FOR CHRISTMAS.

## Henry Brengle

Offers the largest stock of CAKES ever baked at one season in Alexandria. His mammoth assortment, which comprises every grade and kind, will be replenished daily.

CONFECTIONERY, NUTS, CANDIES, FRUITS and SWEETMEATS always on hand. Families supplied with ICE CREAM. His FRIED OYSTERS are favorite everywhere.  
dec 19-notd 121 KING STREET.

**FOR THE HOLIDAYS—**We have received this day the following goods, which we will sell at prices to suit the times: Raisins, in whole, half and quarter boxes; loose Muscat and Seedless do; figs, in layers; Raisins, in layers; Malaga Grapes; Oranges and Lemons; Citron and Lemon Peel; Almonds; English Walnuts; Pecans; Filberts and Palm Nuts; Almonds and Anderson's Mince Meat; Apple Butter; Cox's Gelatine; Canned Goods; English and American Pickles, Sauces and Potatoes; Carlton Ginger; Pineapple, Edam and Sausage Cheese; Brandy Peaches and Cherries; Olive Oil; Sardines; Flavouring Extracts. Also a large stock of fine Imported and Domestic Liquors, which we guarantee to be as pure as can be bought in this country. For bargains call on  
dec 7 FINE GROCERS and LIQUOR DEALERS, 166 and 170 King street.

## PRIME HOME MADE MINCE MEAT

For sale by  
J. T. CRUMP,  
NO. 8 SOUTH FAIRFAX ST.

Price 12c cents per pound. nov 11-4f

## AUCTION SALES.

By Green & Wise,  
[Real Estate Agents and Auctioneers.]

**AUCTION SALE OF A BRICK DWELLING AND LOT.**—We will offer for sale on THURSDAY, the 24th day of December, 1874, at 12 o'clock m., in front of the New Market House, on Fairfax street, the THREE STORY BRICK HOUSE, No. 75, on the north side of Prince street, between Fairfax and Royal streets. The lower story is now occupied by office of the Alexandria Water Company, at a rent of \$12 per annum.

Terms: One-third cash and the residue in two equal annual payments, with interest. Conveyance at the expense of purchaser.  
dec 18-5f GREEN & WISE, For the owner.

**COMMISSIONER'S SALE—**Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of Fairfax county, Virginia, rendered on the 7th day of November, 1874, in the case of Wm. W. Darrow et al., vs. James D. Darrow et al., the subscriber, commissioner of sale in the said suit, will expose for sale, at public auction, in front of the Court House, on Fairfax street, the THREE STORY BRICK HOUSE, No. 75, on the north side of Prince street, between Fairfax and Royal streets. The lower story is now occupied by office of the Alexandria Water Company, at a rent of \$12 per annum.

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## HOLIDAY GOODS.

## CHOICE HOLIDAY PRESENTS!

**CLARKE'S,**  
158 KING STREET.

NEW, BEAUTIFUL AND ORNAMENTAL, AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.  
dec 18

## CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

We are prepared to furnish GROVER & BAKER ELASTIC and SHUTTLE-STITCH MACHINES, of the latest and best styles, at the lowest prices for CASH, or will sell on time if desired.  
dec 18 LEADBEATER & BRO.

**PAISLEY SHAWLS, FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.** Something useful as a present.  
dec 18 D. F. WITMER CO.

**XMAS! XMAS! XMAS!** If you are in want of NICE XMAS PRESENTS, call and examine our large stock of TOILET SETS.

Perfumeries, Hair Brushes, Dressing Combs, Soap, Toilet Cologne, Vienna Cologne, Grand Duchess and Floral Cologne, &c.  
dec 17 HENRY COOK & CO., 107 King street.

## PRESENTS

## CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS!

A large and new assortment of FANCY GOODS Suitable for Christmas Holidays, at

**A. DIEDEL'S,**  
dec 16-tJ1 156 KING STREET.

**CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.** ALL NATIONS OF THE GLOBE MADE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE IMMENSE AND ASTONISHING ASSORTMENT OF HOLIDAY GOODS, SUITABLE FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. Including all the Novelties of Paris, London and New York. Useful, Ornamental and Indispensable to Ladies, Gentlemen and Children, and COMPLETE every article to the public, at

**LOCKWOOD, HUFFY & TAYLOR'S,**  
933 Pennsylvania Avenue, WASHINGTON, D. C.  
dec 16

**HOLIDAY GOODS.** We are receiving our usual stock of HOLIDAY GOODS, consisting of Tool Boxes, Dolls, Work Boxes, Tea Sets, Slipper Patterns, Jet Sets and Ornaments, fine Plated Jewelry, silk Cord and Tassels, Portemonies and Toilet Soaps, &c. 25 doz. Hair Brushes at 50c, worth \$1; 50 doz. Linen Collars at 6c, worth 12c.

**FERGUSON & BROS.,**  
Hair Depot, 96 King st.  
dec 15

## HOLIDAY GOODS

Just received a large and handsome stock of goods suitable for CHRISTMAS PRESENTS, bought at auction at very low prices. I name in part—

Richly decorated FRENCH CHINA DINNER and TEA SETS.  
Richly decorated VASES, MUGS, CUPS and SAUCERS.  
Richly decorated MANTLE SETS.  
BOHEMIAN GLASS VASES, COLOGNE SETS, &c.

**WHITE DINNER and TEA SETS,** of French China and best English Ironstone China. TOY TEA SETS, Cups and Saucers, Mugs and a variety of other Toys.  
KITCH CUT GLASS, in Goblets, Wines, Bowls, &c., and a variety of other goods, all of which will be sold at VERY LOW PRICES FOR CASH.

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